

# Shipping

## JAPANESE FREIGHTER TO GO INTO QUARANTINE AT THIS PORT

Departing from Mikki, Japan seven days ago, the Japanese tramp freighter *Unkei Maru*, with over five thousand tons coal consigned to the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company is due to arrive at the port of Honolulu daily.

Dr. Trotter, head of the Federal quarantine service in these islands proposes to place the vessel under strict quarantine—for a brief period pending a general fumigation of the vessel.

The *Unkei Maru* comes from ports of call along the Japan coast where cholera and small pox exist. Cholera is prevalent in a number of cities and provinces throughout Japan, but no port town appears to have suffered the worst through the ravages of the disease.

The *Unkei Maru* will be given practice following the fumigation which is to take place at the quarantine wharf.

The vessel is then to be brought to the inter-island coal plant on this side of the harbor, where the fuel will be discharged. As far as is shown by existing records, this will be the initial visit of the freighter to this port.

Cut in Passenger Rates Promised.

A new schedule of passenger rates between San Francisco and Hilo, Hawaii ports may be published in less than another month. Representatives of the principal railroad and steamship lines have been in conference at Spokane and Seattle since July 22 and their labors are so nearly complete that it is expected that the new rates will be ready for publicity and for submission to the Interstate Commerce Commission in three weeks. It is not yet known if any change is anticipated in the steamer rates between here and Puerto Seco.

In a few days ago at Seattle, over a dozen representatives of the different transportation interests were tendered a banquet on board the steamer *Chokai* while the vessel was at the anchor port. The *Chokai* was tendered by the officials of the Pacific Coast company and was one of the features of the meeting of the transportation men.

Sparks From the Wireless. Dick Books Below in the Paul Islands.

**PORLTAND, Ore.** Oct. 12.—Bound for Portland from Rio de Janeiro to load wheat, the German ship, *Terraport*, put into Port Stanley, Falkland Islands, October 6, because of the illness of Captain Norelius. A message to that effect was received by the *Volcano*'s exchange. The vessel is under charter to M. H. House, and sailed from Rio de Janeiro, on Oct. 12. It is her first voyage to Portland.

**Schooner Has Close Call.**

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Ready to render him every aid in extricating his command from a dangerous position.

The Sophie Christensen, having been thoroughly repaired during her four week's stay at the port, was made ready to set sail this morning. Captain McKearns decided to sail the vessel out of the harbor without calling on his aid the services of local pilots or a line.

Learning that he had a fair wind

the Sophie Christensen was shifted from Channel wharf to a position near the Inter-Island Steam Navigation marine railway dolphin. From this point the sailing vessel was to take her departure for Papeete, Tahiti.

At ten-thirty, Captain McKearns hoisted sail and all lines save one

at the stern cast off. He then called for casting off the stern line, but the vessel apparently failed to gain sufficient headway to carry her through the channel and into the open sea.

The result was that the Sophie Christensen wavered and drifted rapidly in the direction of the light house point.

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